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OF TEXAS

SOUTH TEXAS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.'S REPORT AND ATTESTATION DEMONSTRATING COMPLIANCE WITH HB 4150

TO THE HONORABLE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS:

COMES NOW, South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("STEC") and hereby timely files this Report and Attestation Regarding Compliance with House Bill 4150 ("HB 4150") and National Electrical Safety Code ANSI clearance standards. Commission Staff filed a memorandum on October 4, 2021 requesting that each electric utility, municipally owned utility, or electric cooperative meeting the requirements of Section 6 of HB 4150 file this report and attestation in this project by January 14, 2022. Therefore, STEC's responses are timely filed.

I. STEC'S RESPONSES

STEC is a generation and transmission cooperative that provides transmission services for its nine member distribution cooperatives in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. ("ERCOT") power region under certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") number 30146. STEC provides responses below to the following questions identified in the Commission Staff's October 4, 2021 memorandum.

1. A declaration that each distribution line above 1 kilovolt or transmission line above 60 kilovolts owned by the utility that crosses a lake listed in PURA § 38.004(b) meets the applicable vertical clearance requirements established in Rule 232 of the NESC Standard ANSI (c)(2).

STEC owns transmission lines that cross Lake Texana, the Coleto Creek Reservoir, and the Choke Canyon Reservoir. The Edna-to-Cordele line crossing of Lake Texana, the Sam Rayburn-to-Choate line crossing of the Coleto Creek Reservoir, and the North Calliham-to-South Calliham and San Miguel-to Choke-Canyon crossings of the Choke Canyon Reservoir all meet the applicable NESC vertical clearance requirements established in Rule 232 of the NESC Standard ANSI (c)(2).

2. The date on which the company verified each line's compliance with the applicable NESC Standard.

STEC verified compliance with the appliable NESC Standard for the Edna-to-Cordele line on April 16, 2020, on April 21, 2020 for the Sam Rayburn-to-Choate line, and on April 22, 2021 for the North Calliham-to-South Calliham and San Miguel-to-Choke Canyon lines.

3. For each utility that self-identified a line that did not meet vertical clearance requirements in an annual report filed in either Project No. 50596 or Project No. 51890, a declaration that each line identified in the annual report meets the NESC Standard.

STEC self-identified a total of three occurrences of vertical clearance issues in Project Nos. 50596 and 51890. All three clearance issues were corrected, and the transmission lines meet the applicable NESC requirements.

- 4. If a line over a lake listed in PURA § 38.004(b) does not meet the NESC Standard:
 - The name of the line;
 - The name of the lake and the county or counties in which the lake is located;
 - A narrative description of actions the utility will take to bring the line into compliance with the NESC Standard; and
 - The date by when the line will be brought into compliance.

Not applicable. STEC has no lines over the lakes listed in PURA § 38.004(b) that do not meet the applicable NESC Standard.

II. ATTESTATION OF VERACITY

In accordance with Commission Staff's memorandum, STEC has attached as Exhibit A, a notarized attestation sworn to by an officer of STEC who has direct responsibility for distribution or transmission service or construction attesting to the veracity of the information provided in the report.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A – Affidavit

STATE OF TEXAS § §

COUNTY OF VICTORIA §

- My name is Cory J. Allen. I am the Assistant General Manager and Manager of 1. Power Delivery for South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("STEC"). As Assistant General Manager and Manager of Power Delivery, I am an officer of STEC who has direct responsibility for transmission service and construction. I am over the age of twenty-one and am competent to make the following statement:
- 2. I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in the STEC's Report and Attestation Regarding Compliance with House Bill 4150, that I am competent to testify to them, and that I have the authority to make this filing on behalf of STEC. I further swear or affirm that the facts stated in the STEC's Report and Attestation Regarding Compliance with House Bill 4150 are accurate, true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Cory J. Allen

Assistant General Manager and Manager of

Power Delivery

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on the 12 day of January, 2022.

SANDRA HOWARD Notary Public, State of Texas Notary ID# 184628-4 My Commission Expires **MARCH 14, 2022**

State of Texas

My commission expires: